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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO AMEMBASSY SEOUL IMMEDIATE

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HONG KONG PLEASE PASS TO DD INS MR. FELDMAN AND TO ICEM
REPRESENTATIVE MR. STEWART

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF, TW, KS

SUBJECT: REFUGEES ABOARD FRENCH TANKER MIRALDA

1. ON 28 AUGUST 1977 CAPTAIN J. P. FILLE SKIPPER OF THE
FRENCH TANKER M/V MIRALDA SENT WIRELESS MESSAGE TO EMBASSY,
TAIPEI, STATING THAT HE HAD PICKED UP SEVENTY VIETNAMESE
REFUGEES FROM A SINKING LAUNCH. HE REQUESTED THE EMBASSY'S
INTERVENTION WITH THE GROC IN ARRANGING FOR THE REFUGEES
TO BE LANDED AT THE PORT OF KEELUNG, TAIWAN. ACCORDING
TO THE SHIPS AGENT, THE TANKER INTENDED TO GO TO KEELUNG
ONLY TO DISEMBARK REFUGEES; THAT PORT WAS NOT A PART OF ITS
SCHEDULED ITINERARY.

2. EMBASSY RAISED MATTER WITH APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES
IN ROC MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AUGUST 29 REQUESTING
THEIR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST AND AT SAME TIME
WIRED CAPTAIN FILLE URGING HIM TO MAKE HIS OWN REPRESENTATION
TO THE MINISTRY TO REQUEST PERMISSION TO DISEMBARK THE
INDIVIDUALS. IT WAS ALSO SUGGESTED TO THE SHIP'S AGENT
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THAT HE APPROACH THE MOFA TO REQUEST PERMISSION TO DISEMBARK
THE PEOPLE NEITHER APPROACH TO MOFA RECEIVED ANY POSITIVE
REACTION.

3. ON 30 AUGUST 1977 EMBASSY RECEIVED ANOTHER SIGNAL
FROM M/V MIRALDA SIMPLY STATING THAT HE HAD RECEIVED
QUOTE "INSTRUCTIONS FROM OWNERS TO CONTINUE PROCEED

ULSAN STOP PLEASE ADVISE AMERICAN EMBASSY SEOUL WITH
OUR PROBLEM IN ORDER TO COOPERATE WITH MY EMBASSY" END
QUOTE. THE MESSAGE WAS AGAIN SIGNED CAPTAIN J.P. FILLE.

4. IT IS NOTED THAT NO RPT NO REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE
FOR MEDICAL OR OTHER SPECIAL SERVICES OR REQUIREMENTS
FOR ANY OF THE REFUGEES.

5. THIS MESSAGE IS TO APPRISE ADDRESSEES OF EXPECTED
ARRIVAL OF M/V MIRALDA WITH SEVENTY REFUGEES ABOARD
AT THE KOREAN PORT OF ULSAN SOMETIME DURING THE DAY OF
AUGUST 31, 1977.
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